

THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

MINUTES

COMMISSION FOR ARTS AND CULTURE PUBLIC ART COMMITTEE

Civic Center Plaza 1200 Third Avenue, Floor 9, Suite 924 San Diego, CA 92101 Wednesday, December 1, 2010 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

PAC Members Present

Victoria Reed Roman de Salvo Vernon Franck Mathieu Gregoire Constance Y. White Tina Yapelli

PAC Members Absent

Joanne Hayakawa Randy Robbins Joseph Wong

Commission Staff Present

Victoria L. Hamilton Dana Springs Nigel Brookes

PAC Ex Officio Members Present

Kim Duclo Alissa Gabriel Chris Jones for Nancy Lytle Nazie Mansury Yvonne Wise

PAC Ex Officio Members Absent

Michelle Abella-Shon Lucy Contreras Alex Garcia Michael Marks Teresa Millette Bobbi Salvini

I. <u>Call to Order</u>

The Public Art Committee (PAC) of the City of San Diego (City) Commission for Arts and Culture's (Commission) was called to order by Victoria Reed at 12:05 p.m.

II. Non-Agenda Public Comment

None.

III. Chair's Report

1. <u>Commission News</u> – Reed reported that Councilmember Carl DeMaio (District 5) has proposed cutting Commission staff and program funding as a budget balancing

measure. Reed referenced the November 29, 2010 article in *Voice of San Diego* which references the Councilmember's proposal.

2. Other Reports – Reed asked Victoria Hamilton to give some updates. Hamilton reported that the Commission had been awarded two grants, one from the California Arts Council in the amount of \$15,000 for ongoing cultural tourism and marketing initiatives and one from the National Endowment for the Arts in the amount of \$45,000 for the Survive and Thrive marketing initiative.

Hamilton reported that Commission staff met with the City's Chief Operating Officer to request an update on the Mayor's recommendation pertaining to Council Policy 900-11. A response is forthcoming.

Hamilton reported that two new Councilmembers, Lori Zapf (District 6) and David Alvarez (District 8), will be sworn in on December 6, 2010.

Hamilton reported that the Commission staff will be coordinating a cultural tourism summit in Balboa Park on January 18, 2011.

Hamilton thanked the PAC members for their service.

IV. ACTION – November 4, 2010 Minutes

The minutes were approved by unanimous consensus.

V. Staff Reports

- 1. Americans for the Arts Annual Conference & Public Art Pre-Conference Dana Springs asked Americans for the Arts (AftA) annual convention coordination consultant, Jessica Hanson York, to give a brief overview of the decisions made so far in the convention planning. York shared details about the schedule, venues, speakers and programming for the convention. York invited the PAC members to contact her with directly ideas related to ArtVentures art tours. Springs presented updates on the public art pre-conference planning and requested that PAC members suggest speakers for the public art pre-conference sessions. The PAC members suggested some speakers, which Springs recorded, and agreed to continue brainstorming. PAC members also gave ideas for ArtVentures.
- 2. <u>Professional Development Opportunities for Artists</u> Springs reported that AftA has received funding to include a professional development track for artists during the annual conference and an exploration of program models is in progress. Springs reported that she has been invited by AftA staff to share information about artist professional development programming models developed by Commission staff.
- 3. Other Reports Springs reported that a groundbreaking ceremony for the La Jolla Shores Lifeguard Tower was held in November. Artist Mary Lynn Dominguez has been commissioned to create public art for the tower.

VI. Member Reports

1. <u>Yvonne Wise</u> reported that the Port's Public Art Committee voted to recommend to the Port Board conditional approval of the donation of *Unconditional Surrender* subject to the submission of a complete donation application by the donor and

complete evaluation of the application by the Public Art Department. The Port Board will receive this item on the consent agenda at its December 7, 2010 meeting. Wise also reported that the Public Art Department is continuing development of public art policies to align with the newly adopted Public Art Master Plan and the policies are expected to go to Port's Public Art Committee in January or February 2011. Wise reported that Suikang Zhao, the artist for the America's Cup Harbor Parking Garage, was featured at a public meet-the-artist event on November 17, 2010; completion of this project is approximately two years out. Wise reported that artist Roman De Salvo's art proposal for Ruocco Park has been fully approved and completion of the park is expected in 2012. Wise reported that the Convention Center Expansion is subject to the Port's 1% for Art in Port Tenants' Projects program. Wise predicted that Public Art Department staff will have a more defined plan for the inclusion of art in the expansion in about 3 more months. Wise reported that the dedication of Leni Schwendinger's artwork for the Broadway Pier Cruise Ship Terminal a.k.a. the Pavilion on Broadway Pier will occur on December 18, 2010. Lastly, Wise distributed a brochure highlighting the artworks in Urban Trees 7, which will conclude in October 2011.

- 2. <u>Constance Y. White</u> gave a presentation on Phases 1-3 of the new series of public artworks coming to the airport.
- 3. <u>Kim Duclo</u> reported that December Nights in Balboa Park will take place on December 4-5, 2010.
- 4. <u>Tina Yapelli</u> reported that the San Diego State University Art Gallery exhibition titled "she: in her teens and twenties" will close on December 4, 2010.

IX. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.